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## SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT

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The Daily Mirror is authorised to announce the engagement of Lady Blanche Somerset, daughter of the Duke of Beaufort, to the Earl of St. Germans, M.C., who was recently wounded. He is well known as an amateur actor. Inset, Lord St. Germans.—(Exclusive to The Daily Mirror.)

## VALOUR.

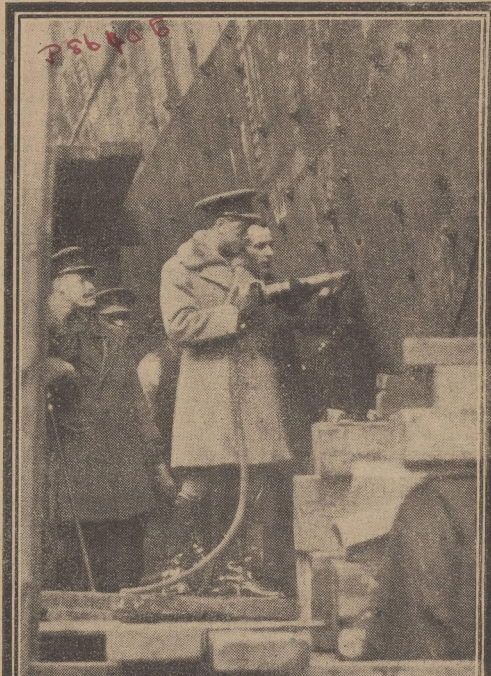


Private E. P. England, awarded the D.C.M., whose name appears in last night's *Gazette*, is the lieutenant-colonel who, it was announced some six weeks ago, was reinstated to his old position. Full details on page 2.



Sergeant W. Brain, D.C.M., M.M., who receives a bar to the Distinguished Conduct Medal. Full particulars of his deed of gallantry are given on page 2.

## PRINCE AT GLASGOW



During the Prince of Wales' visit to Glasgow his Royal Highness, at the yards of Messrs. Dunlop, with a pneumatic riveting hammer, drove a white-hot rivet into the bows of a standard ship. "This thing is jolly heavy," he said. Nevertheless he succeeded.

## AWARDS FOR—



Lieut. Col. Sir Randolph Littlehales Baker, D.S.O., who, it is announced in the *Gazette*, has been awarded a bar to the Distinguished Service Order.



Capt. Ian Couper Nairn, M.C., of the Yeomanry, who has been awarded a bar to the Military Cross. He was gazetted on January 1, 1918.

## THE BISHOP OF LONDON'S "ALL" PUT INTO THE TANK.



Speaking from a tank outside the Holborn Council Offices yesterday, the Bishop of London said: "All I have got to put into the tank is £100 that I have just received for a new book."

## VALOUR.



Com. Henry Brodhurst Pollock, R.N.V.R., who, it is announced, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order for valour in action at the front.



T/Lieut. Kilroy Harris, R.N.V.R.,—a well-known Australian author—who already holds the Military Cross and two bars, has been awarded the D.S.O.



## ELEVEN MILLIONS ON FIRST DAY.

### London's Splendid Start in Tank Campaign.

#### THE BISHOP'S "BIT."

The great tank campaign in London is making splendid progress. On Monday the total amount subscribed was £11,166,837.

If everybody does his utmost it is hoped to raise £150,000,000.

It was estimated that Monday's War Bond and Certificate sales throughout England will exceed £25,000,000.

The principal subscriptions yesterday included the following:—

Public Trustee (for his department) ..	£1,300,000
Messrs. Furness, Withy and Co. Ltd. ..	1,000,000
National Provincial Bank of England ..	1,000,000
North British and Mercantile Insurance Co. (and allied companies) ..	250,000
Pearl Assurance Co. ..	175,000
Liverpool Victoria Legal Friendly Society ..	150,000
Messrs. Houlder Brothers and Co. ..	100,000
Messrs. Elders and Fyfe ..	100,000
Messrs. Nestlé Condensed Milk ..	100,000
Messrs. Debenhams ..	100,000

During the morning the pigeon post brought to the Trafalgar square tank applications for £20,000 from Miss Aird, £10,000 from Messrs. E. J. Rose and Co., £10,000 from Messrs. Claudius Ash, Sons and Co., £11,000 from Messrs. Rowlett and Co., and £10,000 from Messrs. Keith, Prose.

#### BISHOP'S INCOME GONE.

The Bishop of London, at the Holborn tank, said that some people might ask what a Bishop meant by leaving his sacred duties and going to speak on that tank. The reason was that it was a sacred cause he was supporting.

"I look upon myself," he said, "as just as much in place here as when I was preaching on Sunday, or when I shall be speaking to a Bible-class this afternoon. I have seen what has happened in Belgium and Northern France, and if any of you are thinking of making peace, I ask you to think of Russia."

"All my income has gone. I am having my ten-acre field ploughed up for allotments. Ful-

#### YOU CAN WIN £500.

Many thousands of amateur gardeners are to-day digging hard for potatoes—and for the generous cash prizes, totalling £750 (including a first prize of £500), which *The Daily Mirror* is offering.

The prizes will go to the grower of the largest crop of good eatable potatoes, and, in judging, full regard will be paid to the size of the competitor's plot and to soil and varying local conditions.

The only stipulation is that they must be grown on an allotment or in a small garden. The scheme is not open to the professional potato grower.

Get busy! Potatoes may win the war.

ham Palace is to be a Red Cross hospital, and I am giving up half of London House.

"All I have to put into the tank is £100 that I have received for a new book called 'Rays of Dawn.' Give to the limit you can."

Holborn's tank, with £1,573,786 to its credit, held yesterday's record.

To-day's Tanks.—St. Pancras (High-street, Camden Town); Paddington (Queen's-road); Deptford (Broadway); East Ham (Town Hall-gardens).

The first V.C.—Among those who visited one of the tanks yesterday was Corporal Jarvis, the first man to win the V.C. in the present war.

Liverpool yesterday raised £1,250,000, making a total of £6,000,000 for two days.

The Lord Mayor of Manchester flew over the city in a Manchester-made aeroplane, dropping leaflets urging people to buy War Bonds.

#### COW AS LEGACY.

### Curious Action Over Soldier's Will—Bequest to Sweetheart.

The finding of a soldier's will on the battlefield led to an action at Malmesbury County Court yesterday. Miss Edith Reynolds, living at Roudbourne, Malmesbury, suing Mrs. Ellen Emery, Bristol-street, Malmesbury, for the possession of a cow.

Mr. Cluubb (plaintiff's solicitor) said Private William Emery, Somerset Light Infantry, son of defendant, was killed in action on July 12, 1917, and his pocket-book, found on the battlefield by a comrade, contained a will as follows:—

"To Miss E. Reynolds I leave one cow; to my eldest brother I leave the pony; to my brother Charlie I leave the other cow, and the rest is my mother's, who has been so good to me."

The pocket-book bore the address of Miss Reynolds, and to her the finder sent it. Miss Reynolds, it appeared, was Private Emery's sweetheart. She applied to his mother for the cow, but she refused to part with it.

Mr. Fridham (defendant's solicitor) pleaded that the existence of the will could not be recognised until it had been proved in the usual way and, Judge Elliott agreeing, non-suited the plaintiff.

#### ANOTHER \$500,000,000.

The new Note of Credit which the Chancellor of the Exchequer will move in the House of Commons to-morrow will be for \$550,000,000.

## UNTOLD HEROISM.

Lord Jellicoe on Merchant Seaman's Exploit That Won V.C.

### "ONE GERMAN WHO KNOWS."

Admiral Lord Jellicoe, speaking at Liverpool last night, paid a glowing tribute to the work done in the war by the mercantile marine.

His earliest experience of this was in October, 1915, when Commodore Hadcock, of the Olympic, failed to succeed in saving off the north coast of Ireland a fine ship whose name we never mentioned.

Three V.C.s had been awarded to the members of the Mercantile Marine, and one of the recipients, the late Lieutenant-Commander Saunders, was one of the big heroes of the war.

The story of his deed was yet to be written, but his opponent—a German—knew what that deed was.

He (the speaker) had had incidents of the exploit painted; and the painting would be sent to New Zealand, where the gallant officer belonged, as a tribute to a very gallant exploit.

The spirit of the Mercantile Marine was the spirit which would win the war, and the officers and men of that service would enable the country to achieve victory provided always the ships were forthcoming.

### "A VICTIM OF VERONAL."

#### Barrister's Remarkable Story of How Insomnia Was Cured.

A barrister's experiences in taking veronal as a cure for sleeplessness were described at the Old Bailey yesterday in an action concerning a £1,000 insurance policy on the life of Mr. R. Smith, estate agent, London and Newcastle, who the jury said, died from an overdose of the drug.

The plaintiff was Mrs. Maud Yorke, widow, Ravenscourt Park, and she sued the Yorkshire Insurance Company, York. The defence was that Mr. Smith did not disclose that he suffered from heart trouble, and that he was addicted to the excessive use of veronal.

Mr. Abinger, barrister, who was shipwrecked in 1893, said he was so affected that he could not leave the sheep, and he was ordered to take veronal under the advice of Dr. Treves, brother of Sir Frederick Treves.

In a year he entirely recovered his powers of sleep, his weight and his normal health, and never felt the slightest craving for the drug.

The hearing was adjourned.

### SURPRISE FOR HUSBAND.

#### Divorce Court Story of Friend's Admission About His Wife.

Damages were agreed at £500 in the Divorce Court yesterday, when Mr. William Bell was granted a decree nisi with costs on the ground of his wife's misconduct with the co-respondent, Mr. William Baker.

One evening—said Mr. Bell, giving evidence—when Mr. Baker was staying with them, he abruptly said after Mrs. Bell had retired to bed, "We want to get rid of you, and I want an answer at once." Mr. Baker also said that he and Mrs. Bell were very fond of one another.

Counsel: Were you surprised at that?—Oh, Lord, yes.

Evidence was given that Mr. Baker and Mrs. Bell had stayed together in the same hotel.

### EARL'S ENGAGEMENT.

#### Lord St. Germans to Wed a Daughter of Duke of Beaufort.

This morning *The Daily Mirror* is able to announce the engagement of the young Earl of St. Germans to Lady Blanche Somerset, elder daughter of the Duke of Beaufort.

This news will create the greatest interest, for the Earl is one of the most popular members of society. His cheery bonhomie makes him as welcome in Mayfair as in France or on his Cornish estate.

A captain in a dragoon regiment, he has served all through the war and has been severely wounded in the face. A "mention" and an M.C., however, were salves. Off duty, the Earl is a great favourite with him a huge success at entertainments, and he was never tired of impersonating popular players.

The Earl's fiancée, Lady Blanche Somerset, is one of the most beautiful of society's daughters.

### SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Sentence of death was passed at the Old Bailey yesterday on George Harman, a Canadian soldier, for the murder of Frances Elizabeth Earle, a barmaid and wife of a soldier. The body was found floating under a railway at Hackney Downs.

The jury's verdict was accompanied by a recommendation to mercy, which the Judge said he would forward to the proper quarter.

### END OF A.S.E. TROUBLE IN SIGHT?

Further important negotiations have been in progress regarding the position of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and the Mac-Power proposals of the Government, and there are indications that a settlement of the difficulty is now well within sight.

## "SIMPLY SPLENDID."

Indian Prince's Tribute to the "War in Colours."

### EXHIBITION DRAWS CROWD.

The exhibition of British war photographs in colour at the Grafton Galleries has proved a record success.

The attendance on the opening day and yesterday surpasses all records in the history of British art galleries.

At an early hour yesterday over £200 had been taken, and so great was the crush for admission that at one period of the afternoon the doors had to be closed temporarily.

From morning till evening the exhibition was crowded, and on all sides expressions of surprise and admiration could be heard over the wonderful photographs.

One of the most interesting sights was Sir Pertab Singh, a former Maharajah of Idar (in the Bombay Presidency), and Regent of Jodhpur.

### SMALLER SUGAR RATIONS?

The possibility of reducing the weekly sugar ration will (it is stated) have to be faced within the next few months.

The Ministry of Food announces the appointment of a "Food Survey Board," under the chairmanship of Lieutenant-Colonel Weigall, M.P.

He expressed himself as being particularly impressed with the photographs.

"The colour is absolutely accurate," said the veteran Rajput Prince, "and the photographs of the Indian troops are simply splendid."

Looking at the great photograph of the "Land Dreadnoughts" going into battle at Cambrai, Sir Pertab remarked: "That is an actual reproduction of the scene. I know, because I was present."

### SMOKE CLOUDS AT TUBE.

#### Fire Observed in Driving Carriage of Train at Hampstead.

Considerable excitement was caused at the Hampstead tube station at about 6.15 p.m. yesterday. A train had just drawn into the platform when a similar fire to that reported last week was observed in the driving carriage.

The passengers were cleared from the train and were brought to the surface in the lifts. Dense clouds of smoke ascended through the lift shafts into the street over 200ft. above, and a large crowd assembled.

The traffic was suspended for some time, men being speedily engaged at the work of clearing the damaged train.

### SAVED SHIP'S MAGAZINE.

#### The King Awards Albert Medal to Heroic Mate.

The King has conferred the Albert Medal on Mr. Alfred William Newman, acting mate, Royal Navy.

In October last an alarm of fire was given in the after magazine of one of H.M. ships, Mr. Newman, who was on the upper deck, went to the magazine, and seeing smoke issuing from a box of cordite, opened it and passed the cartridges on to the upper deck, where they were thrown overboard. One cartridge in the middle of the box was very hot and smoke was issuing from the end.

By his prompt and gallant action Mr. Newman had no doubt saved the magazine from blowing up and the loss of many lives.

### ELTHAM MYSTERY.

#### Stories of a Badge and Button Told in the Coroner's Court.

The inquest on Grace Nellis Trew, the young Woolwich Arsenal clerk whose body was found on Eltham Common, was resumed yesterday and again adjourned.

David Greenwood, twenty-one, a discharged soldier, who was rounded on a charge of murder, was present in court.

Mr. J. C. Gibson, a manufacturers' manager, said he had seen Greenwood wearing the "Tiger" badge, with a black bone button similar to the one produced. The wire in the button was similar to that in the shop in which Greenwood worked.

Samuel Greenwood, a brother, said that on seeing the photograph of the badge David said: "Look, Sam, isn't this like my badge?"

### BIG BOXING MATCH.

There will be a great boxing match at the Ring on Monday afternoon, when Sergeant Goddard, the heavy-weight champion of the Life Guards, meets Sergeant Rolph, of the Canadians.

A casual interest attaches to this match, which may be the most exciting of the year, as the winner will challenge "Bombardier" Wells for the heavy-weight championship of England.

Goddard has defeated every boxer he has met, while Rolph recently created a sensation by knocking out Sergeant Curzon.

Mr. Eugene Corri will referee the bout, which is for twenty rounds.

## DEED THAT WON BACK COLONEL'S RANK.

### How "Private England" Also Gained D.C.M.

#### RUSHED FOE PILL-BOX.

How Private England won back his colonely is now disclosed by an announcement made in last night's *London Gazette*.

Among the names of the brave men who have been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal appears the following:—

33797 Private R. P. England, Devonshire Regiment (Devonport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. An enemy machine gun opened fire on his position at dawn, and caused several casualties, including his officer and all the N.C.O.s. He at once took command, rallied the remaining men and, though badly wounded himself, rushed and captured the "pill-box" and the machine gun. His prompt and courageous action and splendid leadership enabled the advance to continue.

About six weeks ago, it will be remembered, the *London Gazette* announced the following:—

Royal Regiment of Artillery (R.H. and R.F.A.).—The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the recommendation of Edward Parker England in the rank of lieutenant-colonel with his previous seniority in consequence of his devotion to duty and gallantry in the field while in the ranks of the Devonshire Regiment.

It was on December 11, 1914, that the *Gazette* announced that Lieutenant-Colonel Parker England was removed from the ranks of the Army.

During the retreat from Mons Colonel England was in charge of an ammunition column, and for five days and five nights had only an hour's sleep.

In the darkness one night, when, as the result of their trek, men and horses were tired out, a staff officer galloped up with the news that if they didn't hustle they would be surrounded.

Colonel England, with the object of saving his column, ordered a few ammunition cases to be cast off, but more were cast off than he knew. He got the column through safely, but the abandoned cases were found and the matter reported.

Subsequently he joined the A.S.C. M.T., then fought as a scout in Africa, and finally as a private in the Devons in France.

### PRISONERS IN GERMANY.

#### Lord Beresford on Brutal Treatment of British Captives.

Lord Beresford, in the House of Lords yesterday, called attention to the barbarous treatment of prisoners of war in Germany employed in factories, mines and chemical works.

He specially emphasised the repulsive and bestial practices of the Red Cross women upon British prisoners.

"It makes one's blood boil," said Lord Beresford, "and I want the Government to let the commandants of these camps understand their deeds are known here by documentary evidence, and when the war is over persons guilty of this brutal and barbarous treatment shall be punished for their misdeeds."

Lord Newton in reply said it was perfectly true that the conditions, more especially in coal-mines, were very often absolutely deplorable. He thought it would be better for both countries to agree not to employ prisoners of war under ground.

As to our prisoners in Turkey, nothing could be done until the agreement drawn up had been ratified by the Turkish Government.

### NEWS ITEMS.

2,000 Guineas for a Bull.—Two thousand guineas was paid at Birmingham yesterday for a fifteen-months-old shorthorn bull, bred by Dr. V. Hazley, Bletchley.

Standard Ships.—Seventeen standard ships, of about 36,000 tons gross, had been completed up to February 20, of which one ship of 5,000 tons had been lost.—*Standard Money*.

Munitions. Explosions.—A fire followed by an explosion has occurred at a munitions factory in South Wales, two persons being killed and four others sustaining burns. Material damage is not serious.

The Tramway Dispute.—A further conference between the Transport Workers' Federation and the municipal tramway authorities on the threatened stoppage has been arranged for to-morrow morning, when it is hoped a settlement will be reached.

### LORDS' TRIBUTE TO GENERAL MAUDE.

Earl Curzon, in the Lords last night, moved that the House should thank the General for his message with regard to Lieutenant-General Maude, and assure him that it would cheerfully concur in the grant of £25,000 to his widow.

The Marquis of Crewe seconded, and the motion was carried.

### TO-DAY'S RACING AT GATWICK.

The first day's racing at Gatwick this afternoon should prove interesting, though fields may not be as large as we have been accustomed to meet. The races are:—

12.30.—WAGNERIE. 2.10.—ST. MAUR.  
1.10.—TOP HOLE. 2.40.—SILVER.  
1.40.—SILVER LINE. 3.40.—SILVER.

#### DOUBLE EVENT FOR TO-DAY.

SILVER SAINT and "SILVER" BOUVIERE.



# CHANNEL BARRAGE THAT IS DESTROYING U-BOATS

**Sir E. Geddes Discloses Cause of Foe's Bigger Losses—Dover Raid Explained.**

**AUSTRALIANS REACH SECOND ENEMY LINE.**

**Japan's Intervention in Siberia: America's Decision—Germany's Peace Conditions for Rumania.**

**Naval Statement.**—Sir E. Geddes stated yesterday that U-boats were being destroyed in increasing numbers. There was a surface barrage of 100 patrol craft across the Channel.

**Western Front.**—In their raid at Warneton, south of Ypres, the British reached the German second line and killed fifty of the enemy.

**Japan and Siberia.**—A Washington message states that the United States is now in agreement with Japan and the Allies on the principle of Japanese action in Siberia.

**Ordeal of Rumania.**—Berlin announces that Rumania has accepted the Central Powers' armistice conditions, which include the cession of the Dobrudja to Bulgaria. Austrian newspapers state that the first condition of peace is the abdication of King Ferdinand.

## FINE BRITISH THRUST SOUTH OF YPRES.

**Second Hun Line Reached—40 of Enemy Killed.**

**BRITISH OFFICIAL.**

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Tuesday.**

**9.25 P.M.**—In the raid carried out by us last night at Warneton (south of Ypres) strong resistance was met with, and at least forty of the enemy are known to have been killed.

Our troops nevertheless reached the German second line and beat off two counter-attacks with further loss to the enemy.

Our own casualties were light. During the night the enemy raided two of our posts, one south of St. Quentin and the other south-east of Epehy. Four of our men are missing.

To-day the enemy's artillery has shown some activity at different points between Flesquieres and the Scarpe River.

Hostile working parties in this area were fired on and dispersed by our artillery.

**9.55 A.M.**—Australian troops carried out a successful raid last night against the enemy's positions at Warneton, capturing a number of prisoners and two machine guns.

A hostile party which attacked one of our posts in the same neighbourhood was repulsed. Yesterday afternoon our patrols brought in several prisoners south of St. Quentin.

## AMERICANS REPEL FOE.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL.**

**Tuesday Afternoon.**—North of the Chemin des Dames and east of Courcy we carried out successful raids against the enemy trenches and brought back some twenty prisoners.

On the right bank of the Meuse the artillery duel was fairly violent in the region of Caucieres, and in the Bois le Chaume, at which latter point the Germans this morning launched an attack, which was repulsed.

Another enemy attack in the Bois des Chevaliers suffered a complete check and enabled us to capture some prisoners.

In Lorraine a German raid directed against the trenches held by the Americans was repulsed.

In the Vosges the enemy vainly endeavoured at several points to reach our lines.—**Reuter.**

**Night.**—During the day the artillery duel continued to be somewhat violent on the right bank of the Meuse, especially in the region of the Fosses Wood and in the Vosges.

There was marked enemy artillery activity in the Voile sector at the Ban de Sapt.

**GERMAN OFFICIAL.**

**Tuesday Afternoon.**—There has been lively reconnoitring activity at many points.

North of Rheims and on the eastern bank of the Meuse the French artillery activity has been very lively.

On the eastern heights of the Meuse there have been violent artillery duels.

In the evening strong French detachments launched an attack against our positions east of Mouilly. They were repulsed.

## LIVELY ITALIAN GUNFIRE.

**ITALIAN OFFICIAL.**

In the region of Lottio (Val Lagarina) there was a brisk reciprocal cannonade, and our patrols, with effective harassing actions, caused great alarm in the enemy's lines.

## ABDICATION ORDER TO RUMANIAN KING.

**Central Powers First Peace Condition—Other Terms Accepted.**

**ZURICH, Tuesday.**—The Austrian newspapers state that Count Czernin has informed the King of Rumania that his abdication is the first condition of peace.—**Central News.**

**AMSTERDAM, Tuesday.**—A telegram from Sofia says: In the Sobranje M. Tontcheff, head of the Bulgarian delegation at Bukarest, addressed the House on the subject of the negotiations with Rumania.

After the expiry of the armistice on Saturday, he said, the Rumanians informed the allied missions that a Crown Council held at Jassy had decided to accept the conditions of the Central Powers.

These conditions included the cession of the Dobrudja [to Bulgaria], the readjustment of

the frontier between Hungary and Rumania and the granting of economic concessions.

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Sir E. Geddes.

Vice-Admiral Calthorpe.

In his naval statement yesterday Sir E. Geddes announced that Vice-Admiral Calthorpe had been given charge of operations against U-boats in the Mediterranean.

## U.S. AND JAPAN'S ACTION IN SIBERIA.

**Agreement Reached with Allies—Intervention Imminent?**

**NEW YORK, Tuesday.**—The correspondent of the Associated Press at Washington telegraphs that the United States Government agrees with Japan, Great Britain and the other Allies on the principle of action in Siberia, but the details have still to be worked out.—**Reuter.**

**WASHINGTON, Monday (received yesterday.)**—It is believed that Japanese military action in Siberia is imminent.

It is stated in diplomatic quarters that the Japanese will probably move quickly in order to meet the emergency, leaving to the diplomatic exchanges of views which are now proceeding the development of an understanding with America and the Allies regarding the scope and purpose of the enterprise.—**Reuter.**

**BASES AGREED TO.**

M. Pichon, the French Foreign Minister, in the French Chamber yesterday, said that negotiations opened between the Allies respecting Japanese intervention in the Far East were proceeding satisfactorily. The general bases of the agreement on the subject now appear to have been come to.

**TIENTSIN, Monday (received yesterday.)**—Japan recently dispatched transports to Vladivostok for the purpose of taking on board Japanese citizens. England and Japan are there represented by warships.

**SHANGHAI, Sunday (received yesterday.)**—The North China Daily News learns from Harbin that sharp fighting has occurred at Douris, on the Trans-Siberian Railway, between Semenov, the Cossack leader, and the Bolsheviks.

The former, in danger of being outflanked, was forced to withdraw to the station of Shashu, which he is fortifying.

## THE PEACE WITH RUSSIA

News from Petrograd suggests that the Congress of Soviets to be held at Moscow on March 12 will renounce the peace treaty, the ratification of which has been fixed for March 17.

**PETROGRAD, Tuesday.**—It is announced that a supreme Military Council has been formed for the defence of the country, and a decree issued by the Commissioner for Military Affairs gives directions for the arming of the entire people.—**Reuter.**

An Exchange wire from Petrograd, dated 7.8 p.m. on Monday and received yesterday, says:—

In spite of the cessation of hostilities declared by the enemy, a German aeroplane appeared over Petrograd at five o'clock this afternoon and dropped bombs.

Petrograd was also bombed by a German aeroplane on Sunday, three persons being killed.

## HUNS LOSE BATTALION IN FRENCH ATTACK.

**How Dugouts and Germans Were Blown Up.**

Describing the great French raid by the Verdun Army, when the enemy's fourth line was reached, Reuter says in a message received late last night:—

The appointed moment the assaulting troops left their trenches in faultless order, a thick curtain of snow hiding their movements. They penetrated without encountering any serious resistance the two first series of trenches.

Flushed with the success of their first onslaught and carried away by the courage and enthusiasm of their officers, the men were irresistible.

It was in vain that the German officers defended themselves and died after putting up a brave fight. Dug-outs in which the Germans refused to surrender themselves were blown up together with their defenders.

After inflicting a signal defeat on the enemy the order to withdraw was given.

The losses inflicted upon the enemy exceeded the strength of one whole battalion, whilst those of the French were not more than one section.

## FEWER SHIPS OWING TO LABOUR UNREST.

**First Lord's Plain Words to Shipyard Men.**

**"DANGER NOT REALISED."**

That a Channel barrage has been put up against U-boats, which are being destroyed in increasing numbers, was the disclosure made by Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, in his naval statement in the Commons last night.

On the whole, naval warfare has proceeded increasingly in our favour, he said.

His other points were:—

Enemy raids on our convoys on the east coast were merely the attempt of a blockaded enemy, trying to break the blockade.

The recent raid on the Dover Straits Patrol was, in a way, one of the most satisfactory incidents of the war in recent months.

The situation there was one on which he could now give fuller information.

He was told it was a national belief that the passage of submarines through the Straits was prevented by nets and other obstructions.

**"NO SUBMARINE CAN ESCAPE."**

This was not the case. A surface barrage was now being maintained night and day by patrol boats, numbering over 100. No submarine could reasonably escape it.

It was for the destruction of this barrage that the enemy came out on February 14 and he only succeeded in piercing the naval forces covering the drifters.

The Mediterranean itself accounted for some 30 per cent. of the losses of the submarine ships, and there the conditions had been very difficult.

The recent meeting at Rome, representative of the Allied naval forces operating in European waters, accepted the anti-submarine proposals put forward by Vice-Admiral Calthorpe, the British Commander-in-Chief, who acted under the orders of the French commander.

It was agreed that we should forthwith adopt and adapt to the Mediterranean the measures which had given such success in the waters around these islands, and that the main submarine operations should be undertaken by Admiral Calthorpe.

**BRAZILIAN WARSHIPS FOR EUROPE.**

The naval forces in European waters would shortly be augmented by Brazilian warships. They were in consultation with the Allies on the question of publication of merchant tonnage and losses.

The curve of losses of mercantile shipping was on the downward direction. (Sir Eric exhibited a large diagram in support of his statement.)

The losses of world's tonnage during the month of February was little more than half the losses sustained in February of last year. During the five months ended February 28, 1918, the loss of world's tonnage was 10 per cent. less than during the corresponding five months.

The output of ships in January was only 58,000 tons, and it should be a larger target. February, he hoped, would be double January.

The main cause of the decrease was due to labour unrest and strikes.

Men were not working as if the life of the country depended on their exertions.

The employers, perhaps, in all cases, were not doing all they could to increase output. He was driven to the conclusion that even at this date the position was not fully realised.

It improved was not sufficient made the point at which production balanced losses would be postponed to a dangerous extent.

Referring to the Dover patrol raid, Sir Eric said the Vice-Admiral at Dover had ordered court-martial to elucidate the incident.

He said previously that the submarine menace was held, but not mastered, and he had no reason to depart from that opinion.

**LOSSES AT NIGHT.**

He was seriously concerned at the increasing number of vessels lost at night, and it appeared that the enemy were assisted by negligence in the darkening of ships.

The chances against a submarine in home waters returning was one in four or one in five, and they believed they were being sunk as fast as built.

**Mr. Asquith** regretted that more information had not been given of the extent of our losses through submarines. We must have ships in larger volume and at a more rapid rate.

**Commander Bellairs** referred to losses in the Mediterranean, and urged that no ship should be abandoned until she was known to be sinking. A large ship torpedoed twelve miles off Malta, which required three torpedoes to sink her, should have been guarded by the defences of the port for more than twenty miles.

In America it had been stated that the losses—British, Allied and neutral—were 6,250,000 tons, the navigation losses, 500,000 tons, bringing the total up to 6,750,000 tons.

Leaving out navigation losses, the figures worked out at 120,000 tons a week. During January the losses were 120,000 tons, 170,000 tons, and during February on an average 80,000.

He understood in one day six vessels were lost in the Irish Sea. The best method of fighting the submarine in many cases was the expansion on a large scale of the barrage system.



## BRITISH NAVY AND ITS SAILOR KING



The King spent a busy day among his naval men at Harwich, where he received a large number of officers of the Fleet, and witnessed a review and march past. Hundreds of men who have fought in almost every naval engagement of the war took part in the march.

## IN THE—



Sergeant William Ferrand Clapham, who won the Croix de Guerre, was among the first Canadians to visit England.



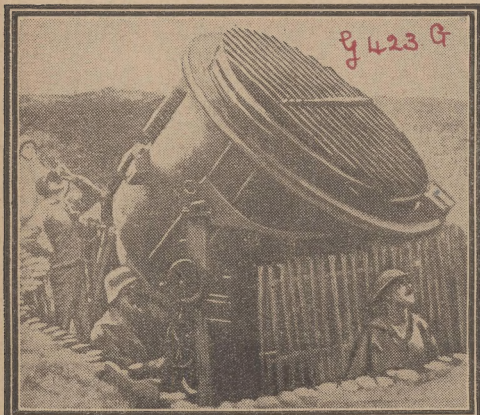
Mrs. Vernon Hall, who during the war has done duty at the Australian War Chest Canteen and other places.

## A SINN FEINER'S



Sinn Feiners carried the coffin of the

## THE SEARCHER OF THE SKIES.



A giant searchlight which the German soldiers on the western front find useful for detecting the approach of aircraft.

## A HELPFUL TALK FROM THE PADRE.



The padre of an Irish regiment in France has a quiet chat with a squad of the men before they retire for the night.—(Official.)



Crowds following the coffin.

The funeral of John Ryan, the young Sinn Feiner, who was killed in the conflict over the cattle drive, took place at Castlefergus. A crowd of 1,500 people was present.

## PORTRAITS—



2nd Lieut. R. C. Stephens, who joined the Army at seventeen in 1914, was given a commission in the Tank Corps last year.



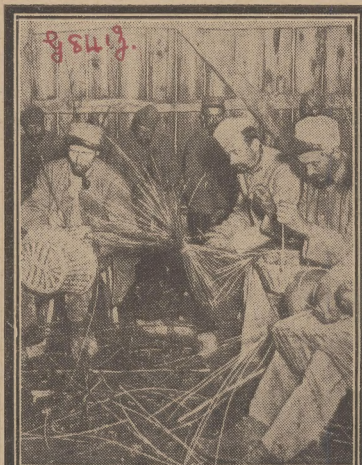
Major W. E. Wiggins, Worcester Regt., who has just been awarded a bar to his Distinguished Service Order.

## A WAR WIDOW AND CHILDREN.



The Hon. Mrs. Maurice Hood, with her children. Her husband, Lieutenant Hood, was killed in action early in the war.

## WORK FOR CONVALESCENTS.



French soldiers discharged from hospital and back with their regiments employing their convalescence in making baskets.—(French official.)

## ALARM RO



CHARMING POSE.—A new study of Miss Lily Elsie (Mrs. Ian Bullough). She is now playing a leading part in 'Pamela' at the Palace. She has added to her many great triumphs in this role.



A French soldier's alarm of any raid in the sector.



# RAL IN IRELAND.



from the church to the cemetery.



A floral harp was one of the tributes. Recently shot by the police a few days ago, took ceremony. Ryan lost his life during the recent war photographs.)

READY.



ready to give the Allies in (al.)

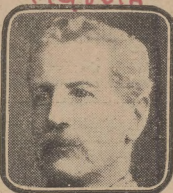


**CHAPLAIN.** — The Rev. John Macrivaine, formerly of Glasgow Cathedral, who was one of the chaplains on the torpedoed hospital ship Glenart Castle, which was sunk in the Bristol Channel a few days ago.

## NEWS.



Sister Pinniser, who has worked at the various fronts since the commencement of the war, has been at four attacks.



Lord Trevor, a summons against whom for food hoarding was dismissed, as the food was intended for hospitals.

## THE ANTWERP DEMONSTRATION.



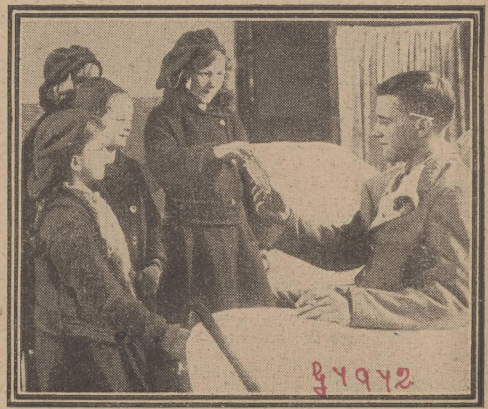
Recently the German authorities in Belgium organised a Flemish demonstration in the streets of Antwerp, as a result of which there was a considerable disturbance. The above photograph shows the demonstration passing along one of the leading thoroughfares of the town.

### BISHOP'S SON AND HIS FIANCEE.



Major the Rev. C. M. Chavasse, Senior Chaplain to the Forces, and his fiancée, Miss Beatrice Willink. He is the eldest son (twin) of the Bishop of Liverpool.

### ONE GOOD TURN DESERVES ANOTHER.

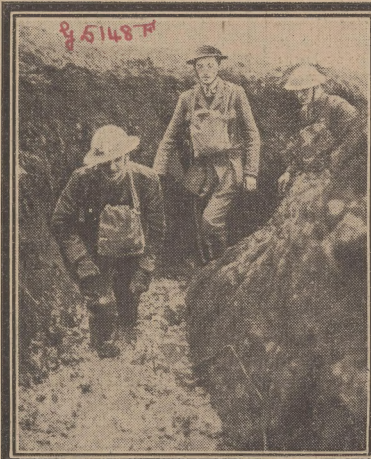


The children at St. Andrew's School, Willesden, subscribe 25s. a week for cigarettes for military hospital patients. A wounded soldier shares his toffee with the visitors.

### EXTENSION OF BRITISH LINE ON THE FRENCH FRONT.



Some of the French dug-outs housing British officers.



Officers wading through the slush in the trenches.

Pictures taken in the new British lines near St. Quentin.—(British official photographs.)

### OF INTEREST.



Constance Rawlings, of Bath. In a letter sack over her shoulder, she collects letters from the Empire Soldiers' Club to post.



Sister Edith Blaké, an Australian victim of the Glenart Castle. She had done nursing work throughout the war.



# Daily Mirror

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1918.

## THE "MARCH" OF OPINION.

DISTINGUISHED opinions are flying about the country in the deadly March winds; some of them sensible; some of the idiotic type to which a long war has accustomed us; others as chilling as the wind.

There is Sir Eric Geddes, who holds still that "the submarine menace is held but not mastered"; though, if the output of ships be not improved, "the point at which production balances losses will be postponed to a dangerous extent." For the rest, if Sir Eric was thus alternately encouraging and cautionary in the House yesterday afternoon, he had not much new to tell us.

Yesterday we had Lord Lansdowne again, too: perhaps a little overlooking a distinction the Russian affair has taught us to make between German deeds and words, in his Second Letter to the *Daily Telegraph*.

In the circumstances, it was plucky of Lord Lansdowne to risk again convulsing our never-sheathe-the-swordians by another letter. The possession of pleasant Bowood and Lansdowne House has prevented Lord Lansdowne from being called Bolshevik; and it is known that Bolo was not *de ses amis*—amongst his personal friends.

Still, even as Lord Lansdowne—*qua* British peer—he has been fiercely used by never-sheathe-the-swordism, and there is a true-blue doggedness that ought to appeal even to the *Morning Post* in his return to the questions of Count Hertling and peace by sheathing the sword some day.

What some of us see—what apparently Lord Lansdowne does not quite clearly see—is this: Count Hertling talks; the German generals take.

Now is it the German generals who matter, or Count Hertling? It is the generals.

In Germany, they invade the political sphere; they control policy. If it were not so, would the generals (against Bismarck) have insisted upon and secured the annexations after 1870?

When Count Hertling speaks then, he speaks we fear as one *not* having authority. He is "put up" to say this or that. He cannot keep his promises any more than the civil power could respect its treaty, in 1914, when the German generals started to "hack their way through" Belgium. That is the contrast now sadly and sufficiently exhibited by the German dealings with Russia. We had the talk. We had the professions of pious opinion. And now we have Russia overrun.

What do we conclude? What can we do to avoid Mr. Henderson's triple dilemma—crushing victory, exhaustion, conciliation? What, in sum, is the limit—the narrow limit of safety—we must insist upon before we "sheathe the sword"?

Surely it is a guarantee that German foreign policy shall not be directed by her militarists—shall not, that is, be an instrument, a prelude, or an epilogue, to war—shall not be used (as hitherto) to prepare war and be in itself latent war.

We seem to be very little nearer to getting that guarantee in substantial evidence. We call upon the German people for it! We agree with Lord Lansdowne that wise talk helps it. But we must wait for it. And we do not see it in the speeches of German statesmen, used to quiet the German conscience, while the German hand grabs what it can get from fallen and wounded Russia.

W. M.

## IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 5.—If a new asparagus bed is to be planted this season, the soil must be prepared as soon as possible. Since the bed will stand for many years, it is most important to dig the soil to a depth of quite two feet. At the same time add plenty of manure. Light sandy material must be incorporated with the ground where heavy mould has to be dealt with.

Cauliflowers sown recently under glass may now be pricked out in a cold frame. E. F. T.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Death hath this also, that it openeth the gate to good fame, and extinguisheth envy.—*Bacon*.



Mrs. Chandoa Leigh, returning to France to resume her war work.



A new picture of Lady Oranmore and Browne, who is doing hospital work in London.

## SHIPS AND SHIPYARDS.

### Earl and Duke's Daughter Engaged—Is There a Shortage of Postcards?

I LISTENED to Sir Eric Geddes' hour's speech on the Naval Estimates in the House of Commons yesterday. The First Lord's statement fulfilled general expectations, and was, on the whole, well received. Sir Eric repeated that the submarine menace was "held," but he did not disguise the seriousness of the ship-

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

**Office of the Free Churches.**—Mrs. Lloyd George, who said in my hearing yesterday nothing could equal her devotion to the Free Churches of the land, was rewarded for her work at a pretty ceremony in the Bloomsbury Chapel, when she was given office.

**Governing Women.**—She was greeted by a choir of Welsh ladies, complete with tall hats and red cloaks. A packed congregation listened to her little talk on the widening of woman's sphere of work.

**Artistic Earl.**—Nobody is surprised that Lord Crawford is the new trustee of the National Gallery in place of Mr. Alfred de Rothschild. A fine critic, he is already a trustee of the National Portrait Gallery, and has published books on architecture.

**The Art Minister.**—When there was talk of a Ministry of Fine Arts it was Lord Craw-

**Duke's Daughter Engaged.**—I believe that the announcement of Lady Blanche Somerset's engagement to the Earl of St. Germans will cause more than a flutter of excitement. The Earl is quite the most eligible of bachelor peers. Everybody admires his fiancée, who has, like her mother, the Duchess of Beaufort, both musical and sporting tastes—an unusual combination.

**A Record Success.**—I looked in at the British Exhibition of War Photographs in Colour at the Grafton Galleries yesterday, and was caught in the crush. There have never been such crowds in any art gallery in England before.

**A Royal Rumour.**—There is an interesting rumour abroad to the effect that the King contemplates paying another visit to the exhibition. I know that nothing has interested the Royal Family for a long time so much as these wonderful photographs.

**For a Period.**—Meeting a food official yesterday I got him to tell me the most amusing question he has been asked. "I think I should award the medal," he said, "to a man who, inquiring about tickets, wanted to know whether we were issuing any seasons!"

**Postcards Short.**—At some post-offices I find a shortage of postcards; and I even hear rumours that there may be none at all soon. Few will regret the passing of this often-abused mode of communication, even if it does save paper and envelopes.

**An Appointment.**—Major Lord Charles Bentinck is now a General Staff officer, I notice. He was "B.P.'s" D.A.A.G. at Mafeking, and is a soldier of wide and varied experience. The present struggle has brought him a wound and a D.S.O.

**Promoted.**—Sir Charles Hope-Dunbar, I find, has had a "step" from Major to acting Lieutenant-Colonel. He is a gunner, and went all through the South African War. This is one of the oldest Scottish baronetries.

**Transferred.**—I saw Lieutenant Leslie Henson in the audience when "Yes, Uncle" was transferred to the Prince's, a larger home than its original one. The piece goes as well as ever; but why the stage is darkened when the artist begins to work on his picture remains a mystery.

**Not a Gaiety Piece.**—By the way, a theatrical chronicler last night referred to "the Gaiety run" of "Yes, Uncle." The piece, as a matter of fact, was first produced at the Prince of Wales's, with the company which had just finished in "Theodore and Co." at the Gaiety.

**Tempting a Comedian.**—I saw yesterday a very tempting offer made to Mr. Charles Austin, who is known to all variety lovers as "Parker," for revue in the West End. If Mr. Austin accepts I should think he would prove a favourite with West End audiences.

**An Artists' Artist.**—I am going to see the Leicester Galleries show of Mr. Walter Bayes' pictures, of which I hear enthusiastic accounts from his brothers of the brush. He was always "an artists' artist," and his lectures on art have attracted hundreds.

**Better Now.**—A New York cable which I have just had gives better news of Mr. Maurice Moscovitch, the Yiddish actor, who has been very ill. He was about to return to London when he developed pneumonia. He is now out of danger, but still weak, and will not be able to sail for some months.

**A Sporting Query.**—Will the Canadian Ralph beat the English Guardsman Goddard at the Ring next Monday afternoon? That is the question which the Army and the sporting world is asking itself at the moment. I fear to prophesy, but I know of some interesting wagers.

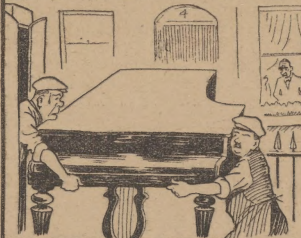
**Dainty Fare.**—We are all of us still talking food as well as taking it. I find many people feasting on sweetbreads and grilled kidneys in the restaurants, and saving their coupons for the family joint.

**The Anti-Pessimist.**—I have just seen a copy of the *Optimist*, issued by some of our men interned in Holland. It is a cheery production; and its admittedly funny column gives the Crown Prince's present address as "West Failure."

THE RAMBLER.

## THINGS WE NEED AND THINGS WE DON'T NEED.

YOU, AND STILL MORE SO YOUR NEIGHBOUR, CAN VERY WELL DO WITHOUT A NEW PIANO.



ONE DOESN'T REALLY REQUIRE A NEW DIAMOND RING.



A NEW FUR-LINED COAT IS NOT NECESSARY.



NEITHER IS A CONSPICUOUSLY NEW SUIT.



AND YOU CAN POSTPONE BUYING YOURSELF AN ORNAMENTAL CLOCK.



BUT FOR YOUR OWN PEACE OF MIND DON'T POSTPONE BUYING YOURSELF A WAR BOND.



It is a time to stop buying luxuries and decorations. It is a time for saving and buying War Bonds. Put all your spare cash into them this week.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

yard situation brought about by the attitude of the engineers.

**A Clear Utterance.**—Sir Eric, a square-set figure, read his wad of typewritten foolscap in clear, even tones, and in this respect set a good example to many of his Ministerial colleagues, who have lately developed the irritating practice of dropping their voices at most interesting points in their speeches.

**The Next Budget.**—I hear that the preparation of the Budget is going rapidly forward. The Chancellor is receiving a good deal of assistance from Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who, with the assistance of a committee of experts, is considering various proposals for raising the biggest sum in the history of the country.

**Throw It to the Dogs!**—A friend of mine, a hypochondriac, is terribly worried. He asked me yesterday whether I thought a man could be had up for hoarding medicine.

ford who presided over the conference of leading artists who met to consider the project. If it had materialised the Earl would have made an ideal Minister.

**The Japanese Mystery.**—I find the same tendency to-day to speculate over Japan as we formerly speculated over Russia. There is the same sense of mystery, the same eagerness to bank on the "unknown quantity." I have not yet heard any rumour that Japanese troops are passing through England!

**The Nickname.**—I am hoping that we shall soon hear the last of that odiously vulgar nickname, "the Japs," for our Eastern Allies. By nobody is it more abhorred than by the Japanese, and it is rude, anyhow.

**Young at Seventy-Six.**—Yesterday I met Mr. H. M. Hyndman sprinting along the Strand very unlike a man whose seventy-sixth birthday is to-morrow. Time has dealt tenderly with the veteran Socialist, who says that his chief desire left in life is to see the Hun thoroughly defeated.







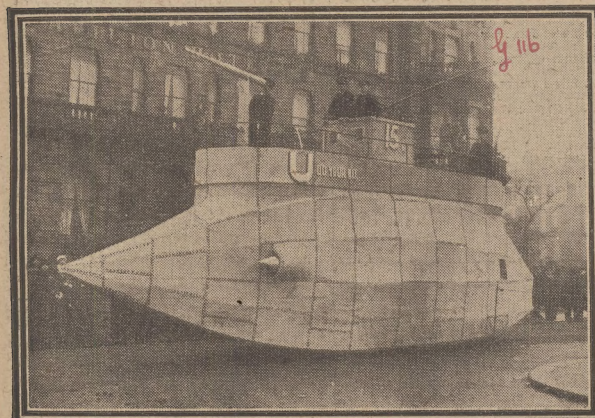
# THE PRINCE OF WALES AS RIVETER:

DUCAL KITCHEN NOW A COMMUNAL KITCHEN.



The Duke of Devonshire's kitchen at Devonshire House, Piccadilly, is now being used for the preparation of lunches, etc., for the V.A.D. and the Red Cross workers at headquarters in Pall Mall. Lunches are provided at 1s. 3d. per head. The cooks preparing the lunch in the "communal" kitchen.

## SCARBOROUGH'S "SUBMARINE."



In Scarborough a tramcar has been fitted up as a submarine bank for War Loan.

## A BRIDE ELECT.



Miss Minnie McMillan, a canteen worker, whose engagement to Captain L. A. Leggett is announced.

## HOSPITAL NURSE.



A new portrait of Miss Myrtle Farquharson, who is now nursing at Lady Lyttelton's hospital at Charles-street.

## NEWS PORTRAITS.



Mrs. A. Martin-Jones, V.A.D. Hospital, Wymondham, Norfolk, has been "mentioned" for valuable services in connection with hospitals.



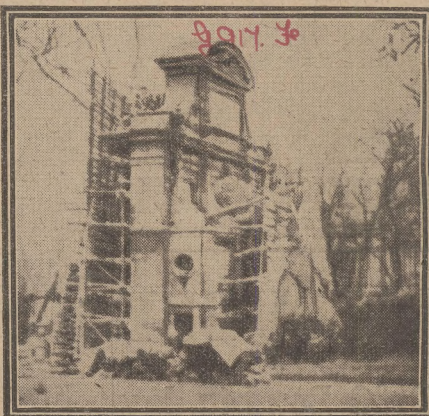
Mrs. J. H. Beever, the donor and commandant of the V.A.D. Hospital, Hovey Hall, Wroxham, Norfolk, who has recently received the O.B.E. for her services.



Mrs. Emily M. Campbell, of the Campbell Hospital, Cambridge-square, has been "mentioned" for valuable services in connection with the organising and maintenance of hospitals.

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## PARIS SACK PRESERVERS.



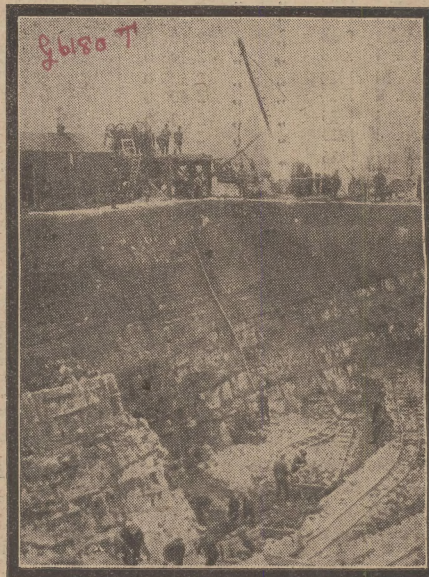
The famous monument to the French rivers.



The Fontaine de Médicis in the Luxembourg.

Paris has taken the precaution of guarding all the principal monuments in the streets with black sacks, with a view to preserve them against a possible return of the Gothas.

## CANADIAN ENGINEERS AT WORK.



Canadian engineers on the western front are seen in the photograph working a quarry for road-making material.—(Canadian official photograph.)